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TRANSCRIPT OF PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING BEFORE THE HONORABLE PAUL J. BARBADORO

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1 PROCEEDINGS THE CLERK: The Court has for consideration 2. this morning In Re: Tyco, case number 02-MD-1335-PB, for a preliminary injunction hearing. 5 THE COURT: All right. What's the status of 6 this matter? 7 MS. EDWARDS: Good morning, your Honor. We 8 have an agreed order that we would like to tender to the 9 Court. 10 THE COURT: All right. I'm happy to hear 11 that. Hand it to the clerk, please. Is everyone joining in this proposed order? 12 13 MS. EDWARDS: Your Honor, Tyco and Mr. 14 Kozlowski's counsel and -- New Jersey? 15 MR. O'MULLAN: Your Honor, Michael O'Mullan for the New Jersey plaintiffs. I reviewed the order 16 17 this morning. I haven't had an opportunity to discuss it with my client. 18 19 THE COURT: All right. MR. NICHOLAS: Your Honor, it's Blair Nicolas 20 21 on behalf of Texas Teachers in the opt-out case. I 22 haven't had a chance to review the order so I would like 23 a chance to review it.

THE COURT: All right.

MR. SKELTON: This is Tom Skelton from Lowey,

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1 Dannenberg on behalf of Federated. I have not seen it,

- 2 either, and would like the opportunity to review it, as
- 3 well.
- 4 THE COURT: All right.
- 5 MR. SHWARTZ: Your Honor, on behalf of Mr.
- 6 Kozlowski, as Ms. Edwards said, we do have this
- 7 negotiated comprise order that we reached actually over
- 8 the weekend and into this morning hours. I certainly
- 9 don't have a problem sharing it with counsel for any of
- 10 the opt-outs, but it does effect to basically dissolve
- 11 the TRO and the orders that your Honor issued
- 12 thereunder, vacate the findings of fact and rulings that
- 13 your Honor issued in connection with those orders and
- 14 replace those in their entirety with this preliminary
- 15 injunction, which is embodied in the document that Ms.
- 16 Edwards has handed out.
- 17 THE COURT: All right.
- 18 MS. CARROLL: Your Honor, Laura Carroll from
- 19 Burns & Levinson for Karen Kozlowski. I just got a copy
- 20 of the proposed preliminary injunction a few minutes
- 21 ago. I'm speed reading it. I would want an opportunity
- 22 to discuss the particular paragraphs that impact Karen
- 23 Kozlowski with her divorce counsel in Florida because it
- 24 proposes to do a number of things with respect to
- 25 selling the Boca Raton and Nantucket properties.

1 If one of the attorneys for either Mr.

- 2 Kozlowski or Tyco has it so it could be e-mailed, I
- 3 would be happy to send it to them immediately to look
- 4 over. I just don't want to do anything that's going to,

- 5 you know, impact what's happening in the divorce case,
- 6 you know, without -- you know, innocently, of course,
- 7 but I don't want to mess that up.
- 8 THE COURT: I understand the problem for
- 9 parties other than Mr. Kozlowski and Tyco. They were
- 10 principally involved in the negotiations. Other parties
- 11 only recently, if at all, have seen copies of the
- 12 proposed agreement so -- and I don't expect -- and I
- don't think counsel can bind a client to agree to
- 14 something without having seen it or reviewed it so I
- 15 fully understand the positions that the other parties
- 16 are in.
- 17 Ms. Edwards, why don't you give me a summary
- 18 of the way you think this proposed order works, and then
- 19 we'll go from there.
- MS. EDWARDS: Certainly, your Honor. What we
- 21 have agreed to is a general restraint on any sale,
- 22 encumbrance, transfer of any of Mr. Kozlowski's assets
- 23 with certain enumerated exceptions, which are set forth
- 24 in paragraph 5. Those include, for example, the CODA
- 25 judgment, attorney's fees, any payments to his first

1 wife, and then a group of expenses with an annual cap

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- 2 for the first year that include, for example, personal
- 3 expenses of Mr. Kozlowski for food and clothing that he
- 4 is permitted to receive in prison, repair, maintenance
- 5 and things that need to be done to the Boca Raton and
- 6 Nantucket properties to put them on the market,
- 7 maintenance of those properties. Those sort of things
- 8 are set out in paragraph 5(e) subject to a cap of \$2
- 9 million.
- 10 Then if either the Boca Raton or Nantucket
- 11 property is subject to a contract of sale, Tyco and the
- 12 other defendants -- or plaintiffs, I guess, would
- 13 receive notice and an opportunity to object to that
- 14 sale, should they choose to do so, and if the sale is
- 15 consummated, a renegotiation of the cap -- that
- 16 \$2 million cap would occur.
- 17 For all of the other assets, we have
- 18 enumerated six of the largest assets that if Mr.
- 19 Kozlowski is going to sell over that asset, it requires
- 20 notice to Tyco and the other plaintiffs and an
- 21 opportunity to object.
- 22 For the rest of his assets, they remain
- 23 subject to the general restraint but he can, for
- 24 example, sell one asset to get cash to pay attorney's
- 25 fees without notice to us so he has some flexibility to

1 make the payments that are permitted under the order,

2 and any notice that is required of Tyco also is given to

- 3 the opt-out plaintiffs and the New Jersey plaintiffs,
- 4 and they have the same opportunity to object, although
- 5 this order and their objections would occur either in
- 6 this court or in the Southern District of New York when
- 7 the case is transferred back there so that Mr. Kozlowski
- 8 is not subject to objections to this order in a variety
- 9 of courts, and that, I believe, is, in essence, the
- 10 substance of the order.
- If I've missed something, perhaps Mr.
- 12 Kozlowski's counsel could enhance what I've just said.
- MR. SHWARTZ: No. Beyond what I've said
- 14 earlier, your Honor, and there are some other details
- 15 that Ms. Edwards I think understandably didn't dwell on.
- 16 THE COURT: A couple of questions first. Is
- 17 this -- are we in a trustee situation with Mr. Kozlowski
- 18 with respect to compliance, or is there any kind of
- 19 provision in there for ongoing monitoring of what is
- 20 actually occurring with respect to expenses?
- MS. EDWARDS: Actually, that's one provision,
- 22 your Honor, that I omitted. Mr. Kozlowski will give us
- 23 updated financial information every six months so that
- 24 we will be able to, you know, see how things have moved.
- 25 THE COURT: And I quess you can answer this on

1 behalf of Mr. Kozlowski. How does this order affect Mr.

- 2 Kozlowski's obligations under the divorce agreement?
- 3 Are we in a situation where he's in some kind of
- 4 conflicted position with respect to his ability to
- 5 comply with both?
- 6 MR. SHWARTZ: We don't believe so, your Honor.
- 7 As your Honor knows, there are three judgments
- 8 outstanding against him -- two of them held by CODA and
- 9 Mr. Kozlowski's first wife -- expressly authorized all
- 10 payments can be made without dollar limitations to
- 11 satisfy those obligations.
- 12 With regards to his obligations under the more
- 13 recent divorce to Karen Kozlowski, this agreement
- 14 authorizes the expenditure of funds that Mr. Kozlowski
- 15 would be obligated to pay under that divorce decree to
- 16 fix up the properties to prepare them for sale, and he's
- 17 allowed under this agreement to market and sell those
- 18 properties subject to the notice when there's a sale of
- 19 contract to Tyco and the other plaintiffs to give them
- 20 an opportunity to object, if they find anything about
- 21 that contract objectionable or if they have a problem
- 22 with -- not the sale price but the disposition of the
- 23 proceeds, they could voice an objection there. Mr.
- 24 Kozlowski would be free to oppose any such objections,
- 25 and with regards to those two properties, the Boca and

- 1 the Nantucket properties that are specifically the
- 2 subject of division in the marital settlement, Karen
- 3 Kozlowski receives notice of any objections that Tyco or

- 4 the other plaintiffs might have.
- 5 So at the moment, in terms of his current
- 6 obligations, we don't believe that this in any way
- 7 prevents him from meeting those obligations. It leaves
- 8 open the possibility down the road -- when those
- 9 properties are actually under contract for sale -- that
- 10 conceivably Tyco or the other plaintiffs might resist or
- 11 oppose the disbursement of the proceeds from those sales
- 12 in keeping with the divorce decree.
- 13 THE COURT: And I assume at that point all
- 14 parties rights would be preserved with respect to their
- 15 ability to assert whatever positions they want to assert
- 16 concerning a challenge.
- 17 MR. SHWARTZ: That's right, your Honor.
- 18 THE COURT: All right. Counsel, you're
- 19 standing.
- 20 MS. CARROLL: Yes, your Honor. Again, for
- 21 Karen Kozlowski. My concern with this -- I don't know
- 22 if we would be asked to join in it -- is that the -- is
- 23 only -- as far as I know, not having conferred with
- 24 Florida counsel for Mrs. Kozlowski -- only with respect
- 25 to paragraph 6, which is the provision that says when

1 there's a purchase and basically a contract for sale

- 2 signed -- so you already have a buyer. You've already
- 3 negotiated the terms. You're already supposed to be
- 4 selling them the property. Then Tyco has an opportunity
- 5 to come in and say either, you know, I want to object.
- 6 I don't want the sale to go forward.
- 7 My concern with that is it suggests -- one, I
- 8 think that could seriously -- just from what I know of
- 9 real estate -- seriously impair the ability to sell
- 10 either property if you have that looming over a buyer
- 11 that, you know -- not just that they're dealing with
- 12 disbursement of the proceeds, but that they could enjoin
- 13 the entire sale.
- 14 I think that would really have a negative drag
- on the ability to sell the property. You know, it's
- 16 like saying, I want to buy your house but this other
- 17 person has a right of first refusal. We all know that
- 18 could be problematic.
- 19 Secondly, it also suggests -- and this is
- 20 where Karen Kozlowski would disagree -- that this Court
- 21 has the ability to come in and redo the terms of the
- 22 marital settlement agreement.
- 23 THE COURT: I'm not seeking to redo the terms
- of the marital settlement agreement. I'm seeking to
- 25 protect the equitable claims that Tyco has asserted and

1 others have asserted on which I have made a preliminary

- 2 determination that has a likelihood of success. I have
- 3 no interest in rewriting the terms of the divorce
- 4 decree, but your client has no right to assets that were
- 5 not Mr. Kozlowski's to begin with. You have no right to
- 6 have those assigned to your client.
- 7 I don't want to interfere with the divorce
- 8 decree in any way. To the contrary. I would like to
- 9 see everybody's interests addressed here to the extent
- 10 they can be addressed.
- 11 As to your first point, I think I have some
- 12 sympathy with the problem. I'm not sure -- the analogy
- 13 to a right of first refusal is perhaps a little strong.
- 14 I don't think it is as threatening to an ability to
- 15 affect the sale as a right of first refusal, but it is
- 16 certainly a drag on efforts to sell.
- 17 The problem is that I'm not sure what we could
- 18 do to adequately protect the plaintiffs that I have in
- 19 front of me short of doing something like that, and I do
- 20 think -- I mean you just disagree that I have the power
- 21 to do this. I understand. I think I do, and at least
- 22 until somebody -- another court overturns me, that's
- 23 pretty much the way it's going to be so I understand
- 24 that problem and I would certainly be willing to give
- 25 you some limited period of time to react to this, if you

- 1 feel you need to, and consider any objection you file,
- 2 but it would be something I would have to do on a
- 3 relatively expedited basis, and if you have those kinds
- 4 of concerns once you do have a chance to digest the
- 5 order and talk to your client, I think your first resort
- 6 ought to be to talk to Tyco and Kozlowski, and if you
- 7 can propose modest changes that they would agree to,
- 8 that's probably your greatest chance of succeeding.
- 9 Short of that, giving you some expedited period of time
- 10 in which to give me some kind of written submission
- 11 explaining specifically and narrowly what your concerns
- 12 are, I would certainly be willing to entertain that.
- MS. CARROLL: Okay. I think that's what I
- 14 would like to do, your Honor, is for us to be able to
- 15 confer with Mrs. Kozlowski and her Florida divorce
- 16 attorneys, who I'm sure are much closer to the issue of
- 17 what's needed to do in terms of selling the Boca
- 18 property -- whether they think this would be a drag on
- 19 the proposed sale or not, and maybe there's -- if they
- 20 agree, maybe we can come up with an earlier mechanism
- 21 than having already signed -- a signed purchase and sale
- 22 agreement as the trigger, if nothing else, to figure out
- 23 some way if there's going to be a hold up of the sale
- 24 actually going through.
- 25 If I could confer with them today -- I will

1 certainly talk to counsel for Tyco and Mr. Kozlowski

- 2 today.
- 3 THE COURT: I can't bind you to agree to
- 4 anything with such short notice. I wouldn't try. The
- 5 TRO remains in effect for how long? I have another few
- 6 days.
- 7 MS. EDWARDS: Until October 31st, your Honor.
- 8 THE COURT: All right. So if I can say -- any
- 9 submission you make by the end of the day tomorrow, that
- 10 would give me a chance and give you a chance -- what's
- 11 the date today?
- MS. EDWARDS: 27th.
- 13 THE COURT: The 27th. So if you had a problem
- 14 that you can't work out with Tyco, file something by the
- 15 end of the day tomorrow. Explain what it is. I'll
- 16 review it and make a decision on whether to consider
- 17 taking any different action other than what's being
- 18 proposed.
- MS. CARROLL: Would it be possible, your
- 20 Honor, to have until Wednesday only because I know Jason
- 21 Marks, who is one of the lead divorce attorneys for Mrs.
- 22 Kozlowski, is out of town returning later today?
- 23 THE COURT: Okay. Just understand that the
- 24 shorter amount of time you give me to review whatever
- 25 you submit, the less likely I am to agree with your

1 position. My default position would not be to change my

- 2 mind so you would have to persuade me to move off of my
- 3 default position.
- 4 MS. CARROLL: If I could do that tomorrow? I
- 5 just know I'm not going to be able to talk to Mr. Marks
- 6 until late this afternoon, your Honor, and obviously he
- 7 has to review this before I can talk to them.
- 8 THE COURT: I understand. The same goes for
- 9 any of the other parties who haven't had a chance to
- 10 review this for any extended period. If you have some
- 11 problem that you haven't been able to work out, by the
- 12 end of the day on Wednesday file whatever. Otherwise
- 13 I'll take whatever action I'm going to take before the
- 14 TRO expires.
- 15 Another question I have, Ms. Edwards -- I'm
- 16 obviously going to read the document carefully. I won't
- 17 do it in your presence. I'll take it upstairs and read
- 18 it, but as you know, I am contemplating, subject to what
- 19 I hear later on in the telephone conference today, in
- 20 the relatively near future to -- seeking to have this
- 21 case transferred back to the transferor district for
- 22 final resolution, and I want to be sure -- ordinarily --
- 23 I think a Court has a need to try to protect its
- 24 rulings. I don't ordinarily agree with the idea of
- 25 vacating my own rulings to satisfy a proposed

1 settlement, but it's a very different matter when I rule

- 2 on something in a very preliminary way, as I have here.
- I have no difficulty with the idea of vacating
- 4 earlier orders and substituting this. I also think
- 5 there would be little purpose served, if I do make a
- 6 transfer, having any further matter, such as
- 7 modification of the injunction, heard by me. It seems
- 8 to me appropriate, and I would have no objection to
- 9 whatever judge ended up handling the case to entertain
- 10 any further proposals to modify the injunction or to
- 11 respond to any requests for relief as a result of a
- 12 pending sale -- something like that.
- 13 So my view would be if I transferred this
- 14 thing, I should transfer everything and that the new
- 15 judge should have the power to make any modifications to
- 16 the order. How do you propose to deal with that in this
- 17 proposed order?
- 18 MS. EDWARDS: Your Honor, we have attempted in
- 19 paragraph 4 to provide that any objection would be filed
- 20 if the case was transferred back in the court to which
- 21 the case was transferred.
- 22 THE COURT: All right. Does anybody have any
- 23 problem with that concept? I just think whatever judge
- 24 ends up with it ought to have the full power to do
- 25 whatever is necessary to address any problems that may

- 1 arise, and there's no point in me trying to meddle in
- 2 something that I've agreed should be sent back to
- 3 another judge. Does anybody have any problem with that?
- 4 MR. O'MULLAN: Your Honor, Michael O'Mullan,
- 5 the New Jersey plaintiffs' attorney. I just wanted --
- 6 as I advised your Honor before, I haven't had a chance
- 7 to review this with my client. I did have a concern
- 8 about the possibility of the action being remanded to
- 9 the Southern District of New York. I wanted to make
- 10 sure that our rights would be protected in that, as
- 11 well, and in paragraph 11 you've added a procedure that
- 12 would give us and the other opt-out plaintiffs the
- 13 ability to have standing in that action and the right to
- 14 raise the same objection that Tyco has raised and we see
- 15 that as a --
- 16 THE COURT: Oh, I see the problem. You're
- 17 saying to the extent that I keep your case and send this
- 18 one back, that you need an opportunity to be heard in
- 19 that matter.
- I assume no one would have any objection to
- 21 those rights being preserved, and I have no objection
- 22 to the judge with the primary control over what I've
- 23 been calling the Tyco plaintiff cases -- that that judge
- 24 should resolve any disputes that arise under the
- 25 preliminary injunction even if I did retain your case

1 while sending the Tyco case back. Does anybody have any

- 2 difficulty with that?
- 3 MR. SHWARTZ: No, your Honor, and we have
- 4 attempted, with input from Mr. O'Mullan this morning, to
- 5 capture that in the language of the proposed order
- 6 before your Honor.
- 7 The goal is that any issues related to this
- 8 preliminary injunction will stay with your Honor, or if
- 9 your Honor remands the individual actions back to the
- 10 transferor court, that court and the opt-outs in New
- 11 Jersey's interests in this preliminary injunction would
- 12 also be addressed by that court. We don't want to have
- 13 it scattered to multiple courts.
- 14 THE COURT: Exactly, and I think that's an
- 15 entirely sensible approach. As long as they have an
- 16 opportunity to be heard in that court, there's no reason
- 17 why they should bring it back to somewhere else or even
- 18 if I transferred your case back to New Jersey -- is that
- 19 where you filed it originally?
- 20 MR. O'MULLAN: That's right, and we're hopeful
- 21 that would happen soon, as well, your Honor.
- 22 THE COURT: We're going to talk about that
- 23 this afternoon. Okay. All right. I will review the
- 24 matter carefully. I will not act until after 5:00
- 25 o'clock on Wednesday, but I will have -- I have to say,

- 1 this is precisely what I was hoping the parties would
- 2 do, and it's why I really have such a high regard for
- 3 the lawyers in these cases because you're able to do
- 4 things that are sensible when you're pressed to do them,
- 5 and I really appreciate that.
- I think what I like about this case -- as
- 7 difficult as it is -- is when I give you some suggestion
- 8 as to how I think the matter should proceed and it's
- 9 reasonable, you seem to be very good about taking a
- 10 practical approach to these problems, and that's what
- 11 they cry out for so I appreciate your efforts. I know
- 12 everybody did a lot of work and spent a lot of the
- 13 weekend working on it, and I appreciate that.
- 14 This is precisely what I had in mind, subject
- 15 to hearing any objections that I receive on Wednesday or
- 16 seeing something in the document that is not yet
- 17 apparent to me. I commend the parties, and I see no
- 18 reason why I wouldn't enter the proposed preliminary
- 19 injunction as the parties have suggested.
- 20 MR. NICHOLAS: Your Honor.
- THE COURT: Yes.
- 22 MR. NICHOLAS: It's Blair Nicholas on behalf
- 23 of Texas Teachers -- I don't mean to interrupt you --
- 24 and we will review this and digest it quickly once we
- 25 receive the proposed order.

- 1 One thing we did not receive that I think
- 2 would be helpful with my clients digesting this is we
- 3 did not receive a proffer of Kozlowski's assets that
- 4 were provided to Tyco, and if we could have that
- 5 provided to us as part of the process, that would be
- 6 very helpful. I assume there's no objection to that.
- 7 THE COURT: Let me hear from the parties here.
- 8 Yes, Ms. Edwards.
- 9 MS. EDWARDS: Your Honor, I believe that those
- 10 interrogatories -- or those discovery responses were
- 11 attached as Exhibit 79 to my affidavit that we filed on
- 12 Friday.
- MR. NICHOLAS: Was that filed under seal,
- 14 Elizabeth?
- 15 MS. EDWARDS: I believe it was, but I believe
- 16 it was also e-mailed to you, and if it was not, we
- 17 certainly can take care of that.
- 18 MR. NICHOLAS: Yes. Unfortunately, we didn't
- 19 get an e-mail, but if you could forward that to us, that
- 20 would be helpful.
- 21 MR. SKELTON: Tom Skelton on behalf of
- 22 Federated. We did not receive it, either.
- 23 THE COURT: All right. It was filed under
- 24 seal, apparently, and if you do get copies of it, you
- 25 should treat it like any other sealed document.

- 1 MR. SKELTON: Of course.
- 2 MR. NICHOLAS: Of course, and we're parties to
- 3 the confidentiality agreement.
- 4 THE COURT: All right.
- 5 MS. EDWARDS: We'll review that as soon as we
- 6 get Internet access and can do so.
- 7 MR. SHWARTZ: Your Honor, we have no objection
- 8 to any opt-out who has served a summons and complaint
- 9 and is bound by the confidentiality agreements in this
- 10 case, but I think in one instance among the seven
- 11 opt-outs, that may not be the case. If they are not a
- 12 party because they haven't commenced a lawsuit, that
- 13 puts them in a different posture.
- 14 THE COURT: Well, I certainly think that
- 15 anyone who is given access to a sealed document in this
- 16 case should be bound by whatever confidentiality
- 17 agreement the parties have negotiated.
- 18 With that caveat, Ms. Edwards will arrange to
- 19 have copies of it e-mailed to those who have signed the
- 20 confidentiality agreement.
- 21 MR. SKELTON: Thank you, your Honor.
- MR. NICHOLAS: Thank you, your Honor.
- 23 THE COURT: All right. Anything else? All
- 24 right. Thank you very much, and I anticipated this
- 25 would be a longer hearing so you're going to probably

- 1 have to hang around to do the telephone conference. I
- 2 don't know. When is the telephone conference, 2:00?
- 3 MS. EDWARDS: 2:00 o'clock.
- 4 THE COURT: You probably can't get back to
- 5 wherever you're going. I apologize for that, but I
- 6 thought we might end up needing more time.
- 7 MR. SHWARTZ: We understand that your Honor
- 8 wants all parties to participate by phone at 2:00
- 9 o'clock.
- 10 THE COURT: Yes. I am going to -- at
- 11 least -- I haven't checked with my Clerk's Office.
- 12 There was a request from the media to participate in the
- 13 telephone conference, and that's not something that I
- 14 do, but since it is something -- I did it as a telephone
- 15 conference simply as a matter of convenience for the
- 16 parties so what I'm arranging to do is I will have a
- 17 speakerphone hook-up in the courtroom here for the
- 18 telephone conference, and I'll announce that at the
- 19 beginning of the telephone conference, but I'm not going
- 20 to be taking any communications from the courtroom.
- 21 It's simply to try to fulfill a demand for public access
- 22 to a proceeding, and there may be certain things that
- 23 people aren't going to be willing to say under those
- 24 circumstances. I fully understand that, and if we need
- 25 to have subsequent communications with various parties,

1 I can arrange for those to occur in a way that's not in

- 2 the public record, but I felt that at least for many of
- 3 the issues that I want to cover -- what's the status of
- 4 discovery; what's the status of motion practice; some
- 5 basics on what's happening with respect to settlement --
- 6 that there isn't any reason why that couldn't be in the
- 7 public record so I will have a speakerphone hook-up in
- 8 the courtroom, but you can go back to Mr. McNamara's
- 9 office and call in from there, or I mean you can try to
- 10 do it by cell phone if you're willing to take the risk
- 11 that you might get dropped or cut out or whatever you
- 12 want to do.
- MR. SHWARTZ: We're going to see what the
- 14 airline schedules permit, but we're going to participate
- 15 by phone one way or the other.
- 16 THE COURT: Okay, and I'm sorry for the
- 17 inconvenience about that. I didn't see any other
- 18 practical way to resolve it. Yes.
- 19 MR. STEINER: Your Honor, Attorney Jim
- 20 Steiner. We had filed on Friday a partially assented to
- 21 motion to intervene on behalf of Angie Kozlowski, Mr.
- 22 Kozlowski's former spouse dating back to a divorce in
- 23 2000.
- I just wanted to confirm, given the filing on
- 25 Friday -- and I apologize for my arrival a little later

1 this morning because of a conflict -- that counsel for

- 2 Angie Kozlowski will be participating in the telephone
- 3 conference. I'm not sure that there would have been any
- 4 objection to her intervention but --
- 5 THE COURT: I don't know. It might be kind of
- 6 boring for you. I'm not sure there's going to be much
- 7 in there that's really going to be of interest to your
- 8 client, particularly as proposed here. The parties are
- 9 agreeing that any obligations that are owed to your
- 10 client can be fully satisfied pursuant to the
- 11 preliminary injunction, but the clerk can give you the
- 12 call-in number and you can call in and participate but
- 13 I -- just giving -- the reality of the way these
- 14 conferences work, it's going to be -- Ms. Edwards knows
- 15 who is on the hot seat at these conferences, and it's
- 16 her and she's going to be doing most of the talking, and
- 17 to a lesser extent, some of the other players, but the
- 18 principal players will be really participating, and
- 19 everybody else is going to be listening in. I expect
- 20 that would be the case with your client. Any issue that
- 21 your client had we really ought to take up at this
- 22 proceeding because I want to be focusing on the main
- 23 cases.
- I mean so there's no surprise about this, I
- 25 have scheduled oral argument on the remaining summary

1 judgment motions that I have pending in front of me. I

- 2 have tried to address this issue of the request for
- 3 preliminary injunction in the Tyco case, and what I want
- 4 to talk to people about is I want to confirm what I
- 5 believe to be the case, which is discovery is
- 6 substantially completed. I want to throw out my
- 7 proposal, which is going to be that these cases and the
- 8 Tycom case be sent back almost immediately, and that I
- 9 proceed with the remaining cases, try to get the opt-out
- 10 cases settled, try to deal with the New Jersey
- 11 plaintiffs' action against PricewaterhouseCoopers, try
- 12 to deal with the ERISA summary judgment motion and get
- 13 the rest of the cases out of here and get them working
- 14 in courts where judges are going to be giving a lot of
- 15 attention to them and getting them moving quickly
- 16 because I've taken as much time as I feel I could
- 17 reasonably take to encourage an active path to
- 18 settlement and it hasn't been moving as quickly as I
- 19 feel it needs to be moving, and so the next logical step
- 20 for me is to try to get the focus down to a few cases
- 21 where I think I could still get them resolved and get
- 22 the other ones back to districts where judges can
- 23 schedule summary judgment and trial in those cases
- 24 because it may be that only the scheduling of
- 25 dispositive motion dates and trial dates will get them

- 1 settled.
- 2 MR. STEINER: I'll be happy to take a look at
- 3 the proposed order and speak to Attorney Lenz in New
- 4 York.
- 5 THE COURT: And you're welcome to get a
- 6 dial-in number from the clerk.
- 7 MR. STEINER: I'll do that, your Honor. Thank
- 8 you.
- 9 MR. SHWARTZ: Your Honor, with regards to Mr.
- 10 Steiner's question, I think the applications to
- 11 intervene on behalf of both of the former Mrs.
- 12 Kozlowskis was with regards to the pending motion for a
- 13 TRO and preliminary injunction. Not with regards to the
- 14 overall pendency of the --
- 15 THE COURT: They are limited interventions --
- 16 limited to the purpose for which they are seeking
- 17 intervention, and there really isn't any need for them
- 18 to be actively involved in all phases of the case, but
- 19 I'll let them listen in if they want.
- 20 MR. SHWARTZ: I'll be happy to show Mr.
- 21 Steiner the proposed order that we handed up to your
- 22 Honor because I think that really fully addresses his
- 23 client's interests. Certainly that was the intent.
- 24 THE COURT: It sounds like it. If it's been
- 25 described correctly, she should not have any need to be

1 involved in the case further unless there's some modification of the order that impairs any rights that 2 she has to assets of Mr. Kozlowski. 4 All right. Anything else? Okay. Then I will 5 conclude this conference, and I'll talk to everybody by 6 telephone again this afternoon. 7 (Conclusion of hearing at 10:40 a.m.) 8 9 10 11 12 CERTIFICATE 13 14 I, Susan M. Bateman, do hereby certify that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate 15 16 transcription of the within proceedings, to the best of my knowledge, skill, ability and belief. 17 18 19 20 21 Submitted: 10-29-08 /s/ Susan M. Bateman SUSAN M. BATEMAN, CSR, RPR, CRR 22 23 24 25